

Drainage Board Meeting
February 6th, 2012 11:30 a.m.

Meeting called to order by Al Logsdon. Parties present are as follows: Auditor Lynam, David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Mickey Toler, Surveyor Herron, and Secretary Jones.

Minutes

December 20, 2011; Toler made a motion to approve the minutes. Gogel seconded. All were in favor.

January 3rd 2012; Gogel made a motion to approve the minutes. Toler seconded. All were in favor.

Attorney Report

Attorney was not present.

Joe King – Goose Hollow

Joe King came before the Drainage Board to discuss a concern of his in Grandview, Indiana. The Hollow separates the Town of Grandview. The west side of the town has no problems. However, the east side floods due to the drainage ditch. King described how he felt the problems could be solved. The Commissioners do not know if this is a County issue or a State issue. This is located under State Hwy 66. Gogel was involved at one point and the State had said that the Hwy was not built as a dam and the state would not allow the county to do King's suggestion. King stated he did not accept that statement then and he felt that someone else needs to take a look at it. Painter stated he remembered it being suggested back in 1987 and INDOT would not approve it then.

Surveyor Report

J.C. Hoople

Surveyor Herron has been contacted that one 60 lb. beaver was trapped and a request has been made to the surveyor to now clean out the beaver dams. Herron has advised parties that he will make a request to the Drainage Board to obtain quotes for the work and get the beaver dams out. However, if the beaver dams are back by spring then it will be landowner's responsibility and not the counties to remove the beaver dams. Logsdon requested Herron's recommendation to the Drainage Board concerning the cleaning out of the beaver dams. Herron stated we should go ahead and get the quotes and get the work done in March 2012. Herron stated he could contact Kirby Youngblood, Doug Knepper, and Mike Erwin. Logsdon requested for Herron to have an answer for the Board on March 8th, 2012. Leibering cannot cut the trees off the next phase. They are too busy. Herron's recommendation is to hold off on this section until Leibering can get to it. It will cost us more money and this drain has been like this for a long time. Herron stated we should put this off until next year. It was agreed to wait.

Garrett Creek

Surveyor Herron requested to proceed with the permitted work. Logsdon stated for him to go ahead and get started. Herron stated he would like to open bids on March 8, 2012 to get this work done. Herron stated the farmers will not be able to get in the fields until late April or the first of May because of back water. Herron would like to get the bids out and get the pre-bid hearings done so we have the bids in here the first of April.

Tower Drain

Kirby Youngblood was present to speak about Tower Drain. State engineer has given Youngblood a packet as to how to fix Tower Drain. There was discussion on the solution. Youngblood and Herron spoke about tweaking the State engineers plan to save on the cost. Youngblood said the engineer stated this is not absolute. Youngblood will do the work in a section to see if this will work at no cost to the county for his labor. The county will provide the rock. Surveyor Herron stated he was told by John Woods, President of the Sewer Board, that the county will have to move the dirt pile located at the Richland Library and the four lanes before they can use it, because they may not be able to do what they want to do with it when the problem is solved. Herron stated that Woods said if the county would sign an agreement then Woods said maybe we can leave it right where it is if county tells the sewer board that once Reynolds is paid and out of there that the county would be liable for that dirt to use it, move it and to seed the ground where the pile is located. Logsdon advised Herron to negotiate this dirt pile out with Woods and to keep the drainage board informed and Drainage Board Attorney can draw up a legal agreement.

Sweezer Ditch

Leibering is not interested in removing trees. The trees are too small. Herron recommended starting at 450 and go as far as we can. Logsdon suggested bidding out by the foot and reporting back.

Other Ditches

Herron handed out a sheet on last year's ditches. There was discussion on J.B Chrisney Ditch and concerns.

Additional Appropriation request

Logsdon asked for a motion for \$25,000 additional appropriation from Rainy day fund for drainage work. Toler made the motion to request from the Council \$25,000 for drainage work. Gogel seconded. All were in favor.

Adjourned

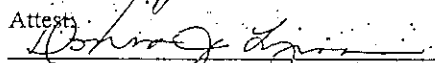
There being no other business before the Drainage Board, Gogel made a motion to adjourn. Toler seconded. All were in favor.

Drainage Board meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. cst

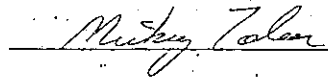


President

Attest:



Donna J. Lynam, Auditor



Mickey Toler